(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The number of new cases of voluntary organisations examined and sanctioned grants-in-aid during the last three years is as below :—

Period	No. of new organisations sanctioned grants-in-aid
1991-92 . . .	19
1992-93 . . .	79
1993-94 . . .	88

Programmes to ameliorate conditions of Scheduled Castes/Tribes

4231. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU :
SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE :

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether a number of programmes have been launched to ameliorate the conditions of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes to enable them to cross the poverty line; and

(b) if so, whether Government have observed that funds allocated for such programmes, including those given by Central Government are diverted by State Governments to other areas or find way into unintended channels, if so, the amounts so diverted during 1992-93 and 1993-94 statewise and the steps taken to prevent such diversion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI K. V. THANGKA BALU) : (a) Yes, Sir. The Ministry of Welfare has launched several schemes for the economic and educational development of Scheduled Castes in the form of Central and Centrally Sponsored schemes. List of such schemes is placed at Statement (*See* below).

(b) There is no information available in this Ministry regarding diversion of funds allocated for developmental programmes for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes given by the Central Government to the States. The State Governments were asked to give details in this regard. In response to our letters to State Governments/UT administrations, 12 States/UTs viz. Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tripura, Delhi, Daman & Diu, Meghalaya, A&N Islands and Lakshadweep have furnished 'NIL' information. If necessary, suitable instructions shall be issued to the State Governments.

Statement

Central/Centrally Sponsored Schemes being implemented by the Government of India in the Ministry of Welfare for Socio-economic Development of SCs/STs

1. Post-Matric Scholarships (Centrally Sponsored).

2. Government Scholarships to the students for studies abroad (Non-Plan Central).

3. Pre-matric Scholarship Centrally Sponsored).

4. Book-Banks (Centrally Sponsored).

5. Girls Hostels (Centrally Sponsored).

6. Boys Hostels (Centrally Sponsored).

7. Coaching and Allied Schemes (Pre-Examination Training (Centrally Sponsored).

8. Assistance to Voluntary Organisations (Central).

9. Strengthening of Machinery for enforcement of Protection of Civil Rights Act. 1955 (Centrally Sponsored).

10. Liberation and Rehabilitation of Scavangers (Central).

11. (a) Scheduled Castes Development Corporation (Centrally Sponsored).

(b) National SC and ST Finance and Development Corporation (Central).

12. Research and Training (Central).

13. Grant-in-aid to Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India (Central).

14. Price support to TRIFED (Central).

15. Establishment of Ashram Schools in Tribal Sub Plan Area (Centrally Sponsored).

16. Investment in TRIFED (Central).

17. Development of Oil Seeds and Oil of Tree origin in Tribal Areas (Central).

18. Special Central Assistance for Special Component Plan (Central).

19. Special Central Assistance for Tribal Sub-Plan (Central).

20. Special educational development programme for girls belonging to Scheduled Castes of very low literacy levels.

21. Educational complex in low literacy pockets for development of women literacy in tribal areas.

22. Vocational training in Tribal Areas.

23. Grants-in-aid to State Tribal Development Co-operative Corporations for Minor Forest produce.